

# YARD WASTE, FOOD SCRAPS & FOOD-SOILED PAPER

These kinds of things go in the yard waste cart.

Fruit and vegetable scraps and leftovers



Bread, pasta and grains



Eggshells and nutshells



Coffee filters and grounds



Teabags and tea leaves



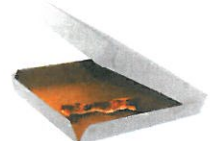
Meat, fish, poultry, bones



Dairy products (yogurt, cheese, etc.)



Greasy pizza delivery boxes



Paper towels and napkins



Shredded paper (small amounts)



Uncoated paper plates and cups\*



Uncoated paper food wrap\*



Uncoated paper food bags\*



Paper grocery bags containing food scraps

Paper egg cartons

Paper berry cartons



*Tip: \*Uncoated paper does not have a shiny surface.*

## Recycle food. It's easy to do.

### 1. Find a collection method that works for you.

- a paper grocery bag
- a reusable plastic, metal or ceramic container with a lid
- an approved compostable kitchen bag (available at stores)

### 2. Empty contents of your container into the yard waste cart frequently.

- layer food scraps with yard waste, newspaper or a small amount of shredded paper to absorb liquids

### 3. Contact your garbage hauler for cart cleaning or replacement.

## Don't have Food Scrap & Yard Waste Collection Service?

The average single family household in King County throws away nine pounds of food and food-soiled paper each week. Sign up for service through your waste hauler.

Call 206-296-4466 or visit [www.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste](http://www.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste) for contact information.



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# RECYCLE

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## Plastics:

*Empty and rinse, no lids*

Milk, juice and pop bottles

Yogurt, dairy and margarine tubs

Shampoo and conditioner bottles

Window, bathroom and kitchen cleaner bottles

Detergent and fabric softener bottles



## Mixed paper and newspaper:

*Keep it loose, don't bundle or bag or tie*

Newspaper and advertising inserts

Advertising mail and envelopes

Cereal and dry food boxes (remove the liner)

Paperback books

Magazines, catalogs and phone books

Paper wrapping paper



## Aluminum and tin cans:

*Empty and rinse out food residue, labels are OK*

Soda cans

Canned food cans



Frozen food boxes

Juice boxes

Milk cartons



## Scrap metal:

Limit 2 ft. x 2 ft. x 2 ft., 35 lbs; no wood, plastic, or rubber attachments.



## Glass jars and bottles, any color:

*Empty and rinse out food residue, labels are OK*



## Cardboard:

*Flatten*

## Remember:

*When in doubt, put it in the garbage can.  
Contamination increases the cost of recycling.*



**Recycle More. It's Easy To Do.**

## Still doing Self-Haul or Drop Boxes?

Impact the environment, and save fuel, time and money by signing up for curbside service.  
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